

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

KEVIN RISTO

Plaintiff(s),

v.

SCREEN ACTORS GUILD –
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF
TELEVISION AND RADIO ARTISTS,
et al.

Defendant(s).

Case No. 2:18-cv-07241-CAS-PLA

NOTICE TO COUNSEL

This case has been assigned to the calendar of Judge Christina A. Snyder. This Notice to Counsel shall be to all parties appearing in propria persona, and for purposes of this notice, the term “counsel” shall include any person appearing in pro per.

Counsel are advised that the Court expects strict compliance with the provisions of the Local Rules and the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. All of the Local Rules are equally important. The parties are reminded to follow the disclosure requirement in Local Rule 7.1. Copies of the Local Rules may be purchased from one of the following:

Los Angeles Daily Journal	Metropolitan News	West Group
915 E. 1st Street	210 South Spring St.	610 Opperman Drive
Los Angeles, CA 90012	Los Angeles, CA 90012	Egan, Minnesota 55123

The Local Rules and **Judge’s Procedures and Schedules** may also be

1 found on the United States District Court's website at the following address:

2 HTTP://WWW.CACD.USCOURTS.GOV. Please note that certain Local Rules
3 have recently been amended.

4 The attention of counsel is particularly directed to Local Rules 16 and 26 for
5 the conduct of mandatory pretrial and settlement proceedings.

6 The Court notes that a party to this lawsuit does not have a lawyer. Parties
7 in court without a lawyer are called "pro se litigants." These parties often face
8 special challenges in federal court. Public Counsel runs a free Federal Pro Se
9 Clinic at the Los Angeles federal courthouse where pro se litigants can get
10 information and guidance. The clinic is located in Room G-19, Main Street Floor
11 of the United States Courthouse, 312 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, California
12 90012. For more information, litigants may call (213) 385-2977 (x. 270) or they
13 may visit the Pro Se Home Page found at
14 <http://court.cacd.uscourts.gov/cacd/ProSe.nsf>. Clinic information is found there
15 by clicking "Pro Se Clinic - Los Angeles".

16 Counsel are reminded of their obligations to disclose information and confer
17 on a discovery plan not later than 21 days prior to the date of the Fed. R. Civ. P.
18 16(b) scheduling conference and to report to the Court not later than 14 days after
19 they confer on a discovery plan and the other matters required by Fed. R. Civ. P.
20 26(f) and the Local Rules of this Court. The following issues will be considered at
21 the scheduling conference: the last date by which parties and claims for relief may
22 be added, the discovery cutoff, as well as any issues relating to the discovery plan,
23 the last date for filing motions, the time for the pretrial conference and the trial
24 date. Scheduling conferences are generally held on Monday at 11:00 a.m.

25 Counsel should also be guided by the following requirements when
26 litigating cases assigned to Judge Snyder:

- 27 1. INTERROGATORIES: Refer to the Local Rules.

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2. MOTIONS: Motions shall be heard on each Monday of the month at 10:00 a.m., unless otherwise ordered by the Court. If Monday is a national holiday, the succeeding Monday shall be the motion day and all matters noticed for such Monday stand for hearing on the following Monday without special order or notice. The Court provides oral or written tentative rulings on most motions. Counsel are encouraged to direct oral argument to the matters raised in the tentative ruling and to submit to any part of the ruling that is not in genuine dispute, where appropriate. The Court will notify counsel if it does not require oral argument on any specific motion.

Motion papers should comply with the Local Rules. Briefs should not exceed the page limits authorized by the Local Rules. The Court will rarely grant leave to file briefs that exceed the authorized page limits. Counsel are admonished not to circumvent page limits by filing multiple motions which purport to address separate issues in a case. Such motions will not be considered unless counsel obtains leave to file more than one motion or to file a brief that exceeds the page limits authorized by the Local Rules.

3. EX PARTE APPLICATIONS:

A. NOTICE: The parties' and counsels' attention is directed to Local Rule 7-19. The moving party shall inform the opposing party or parties that such party or parties shall have 48 hours from the date of delivery of the moving papers to file and serve their opposition papers, if any.

B. HEARING: No hearing will be held on any ex parte application unless deemed necessary by the Court and in such case counsel will be notified by the Courtroom Deputy Clerk.

4. DISCOVERY CUTOFF: Generally, the Court will set a discovery cutoff date at the scheduling conference. The Court expects that by the date of the discovery cutoff, all discovery and responses thereto shall have been served, and all motions to compel will be on file and have been argued (but not necessarily

1 decided). The only discovery that may be conducted after the discovery cutoff
2 date without leave of Court is discovery ordered by the Magistrate Judge for
3 which a timely-filed motion was pending and argued before the discovery cutoff
4 date. Unless the Court has issued a contrary order, all discovery motions should
5 be set before the Magistrate Judge to whom this case is assigned.

6 5. MANDATORY COPIES: The Court requires that mandatory copies
7 of electronically filed documents be delivered to the judge's mail box outside the
8 Clerk's Office on the 4th floor of the 1st Street Courthouse no later than 12:00 p.m.
9 on the first court day following the date when the documents are required filed.
10 **Furthermore, mandatory copies shall be 2-hole punched and the efile**
11 **notification date shall be visible on or as the first page.** Moreover, in all cases
12 asserting claims under the antitrust laws, the patent laws or federal securities laws,
13 and in such specific cases as may be designated by the Court, counsel must deliver
14 to the court two (2) mandatory copies of all documents that are electronically
15 filed. Mandatory copy documents shall include tabs to separate exhibits,
16 declarations, etc., where applicable. The Court will also accept any fax courtesy
17 copies not exceeding five (5) pages in length total. The Courtroom Deputy
18 Clerk's fax number is 213-894-0375. In addition, counsel shall email any and all
19 proposed orders to the Courtroom Deputy Clerk in "Word" or "WordPerfect"
20 format to CAS_Chambers@cacd.uscourts.gov

21 6. CONTINUANCES: Continuances will only be granted based upon a
22 showing of good cause. Stipulations, including second and subsequent extensions
23 of time to respond to the complaint, are effective ONLY when approved by the
24 Court. (See Local Rule 16-8).

25 7. REMOVED ACTIONS: Any answers filed in state court must be
26 refiled with the Court as a supplement to the petition. Any pending motions must
27 be renoticed in accordance with Local Rule 37-3.

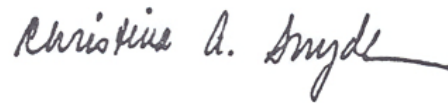
28 8. TELEPHONIC HEARINGS: Upon obtaining leave of Court at least

one week in advance of any hearing, Judge Snyder will permit oral argument on calendared motions to be heard telephonically if (a) all involved parties consent to the telephone hearing, (b) the parties anticipate presenting limited argument, and (c) the Court's calendar permits such telephonic oral argument to be heard.

The telephonic hearing will be scheduled at a time convenient for the Court and the parties, on the Monday originally scheduled for the hearing of the motion pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Local Rules. The party bringing the motion will initiate the conference call, and when all counsel are present on the line, will contact the Court. Callers will hold on the line until their motion is ready to be heard, at which time they will be connected with the Court, the case will be called, and the telephonic hearing will commence.

9. COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE COURT: Unless counsel have been expressly authorized to communicate with chambers (e. g., for a telephone status conference with all counsel participating), all oral and written communications must be submitted only to the Courtroom Deputy, Catherine Jeang with copies to all counsel of record. Please do not attempt to communicate in writing or by telephone with chambers. (See Local Rule 83-2.11).

10. NOTICE OF THIS ORDER: Counsel for plaintiff is responsible for promptly serving a copy of this Order on all defendants' counsel. If this case came to the Court via removal, the removing defendant shall promptly serve a copy of this Order on all parties of record.



Date: August 31, 2018

Christina A. Snyder
United States District Judge